

PAW PAW, MICH., SEPT. 25, 1889.

THE man who goes into the pension office, it matters not who he is, will fail to please democratic and mugwump critics. The man who pays out pensions according to law will never add to the happiness of democratic unfortunates or mugwump imbeciles.

THE democratic bosses seem to be lost and undone. They have grown tired of kicking Russell Harrison; they make slow headway on Wanamaker and Clarkson, and Tanner is lost to them. They might start in fresh and spank Baby McKee, if it would relieve them.—*Inter Ocean.*

THE Wyoming statehood convention, in session at Cheyenne, on the 20th inst., adopted, as part of its constitution, the suffrage chapter. Female citizens are to vote. The severest qualifications are required of all electors. They shall be able to read English, shall be full-fledged citizens, and shall have had six months' residence in Wyoming.

THE democratic papers have been filled of late with what they have been pleased to denominate evidences of ex-Commissioner Tanner's disaffection, claiming that his sensitiveness was so deeply wounded that he would not again raise his voice in support of the republican party. Well knowing Mr. Tanner's efficiency as a stump orator, they undoubtedly wished for just such an outcome, but their hopes are dashed to pieces with the announcement that Mr. Tanner is to take the stump in Ohio for Foraker and the republican ticket.

MANY people urge that if a man "only drink beer" he is almost a temperance man, and point to the fact that the Germans universally drink it daily, and insist that they are the most physically robust people on earth. In an article on the effects produced by the use of various beverages, the *Scientific American* says: "It is our observation that beer drinking in this country produces the very lowest kind of inebriety, closely allied to criminal insanity. The most dangerous class of ruffians in our large cities are beer drinkers. Intellectually, a stupor amounting almost to paralysis, arrests the reason, changing all the higher faculties into a mere animalism, sensual, selfish, sluggish, varied only with paroxysms of anger, senseless and brutal."

#### Horrors in Japan.

By the arrival at San Francisco on the 19th of the mail steamer *Garlie*, from Yokohama, news is brought of the greatest disaster in the history of the country occurring in the southwest. Upwards of fifteen thousand people have been killed, several towns have been wiped completely off the face of the earth, and others have been nearly demolished. This catastrophe was occasioned by floods in the western part of the province of Kii and by the crumbling of the mountains, which buried six villages under a huge mass of rocks and earth. In the eastern districts, the early part of August was remarkable for its rains, and the rapid rise of its rivers soon became alarming. The banks of the Kinogawa, a stream over 100 miles in length, broke near the town of Yokohama on the 19th, and a mountain of water rushed out upon the fields and towns, wrecking the houses, bridges, fences, temples and all things in its path. In this district 200 houses were carried away and 5,000 ruined by water, leaving 30,000 people dependent upon the local officials for food. It is estimated that the loss of life will reach 20,000. Over fifty villages have been entirely or nearly destroyed, while the suffering, which is great, will reach to many thousands.

#### Dynamite Projectiles.

The subject of dynamite projectiles is evidently a fascinating one for inventors. We have already the pneumatic Zalinski gun, which has proved very successful in throwing highly explosive cartridges. And not unfavorable results have been achieved in efforts to employ gunpowder instead of compressed air, although heretofore it has been necessary to use small charges and so to attain only a low rate of velocity. But it is now announced that practical success has been attained in a novel gun in which gunpowder charges are distributed along the tube instead of being accumulated at the breech as heretofore. It will at once be seen that by this device the cartridges will be protected from the sudden shock that would be caused by the simultaneous explosion of the whole charge, and yet by the propulsion of the charges following it in rapid succession in its course through the tube, it will be shot out with a velocity vastly greater than that caused by a small initial charge alone. The Government has ordered one of these guns, at a cost of \$28,000, and it is consequently fair to suppose that the device has passed beyond the stage of experiments to that of actual accomplishment. With all the submarine torpedoes, and pneumatic and multi-charge devices for projecting dynamite, it is evident that war is coming to be a much more dangerous thing than ever—something too dangerous, in fact, to be resorted to until all other possible resources have been exhausted.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS, minister to Hayti, has received his final instructions from the department of state and will sail for Port-au-Prince on Saturday of this week. Either the Osippee or the Kearsarge will be detailed to convey him to his post of duty.

As a result of an order issued by Secretary Procter six weeks ago, establishing the bureau of records and pensions in his office, the number of pension claims awaiting examination, which was then 40,000, with a daily accumulation of 100, have all been passed upon, and it is now possible for claims received in the morning to be examined and disposed of the same day.

Four jurors have been secured in as many weeks for the trial of the persons charged with the murder of Dr. Cronin, in Chicago, in May last. As under our laws the very highest (or lowest) possible degree of stupidity is an absolutely necessary qualification for a jurymen, it would seem as if a jury in this case would never be obtained. But when the peremptory challenges, of which each side had one hundred, shall have been exhausted, it is to be hoped that a jury of fair average intelligence may be secured.

SEPT. KIMBALL, of the U. S. life-saving service, is preparing his annual report. One portion of it will be of especial interest to the hardy and ill-paid men who compose the life-saving crews. He will recommend very strongly that their pay be increased. Secretary Windom has also had the matter under consideration and thinks that these men are not properly compensated, and in his report will urge that some measure of justice be done the men who risk their lives to save others.

THE American National Baptist convention (colored) closed its session at Indianapolis on Wednesday of last week. In the afternoon of that day a mass meeting was held and resolutions adopted which recite that "our political leaders are few, and even those we have cannot reach the people. Therefore it becomes our duty to speak out upon all questions that affect our people, socially and economically, as well as religiously. God has always, in all ages, instructed and ruled the people through His own chosen agents, called men," therefore, they resolve that "this convention believes that the truest interests of our people are in their acceptance of that Horace Greeley doctrine of 'Young man, go West,' where we may obtain lands and grow up with the country; and we ask the president of the United States to recommend to congress an appropriation of \$100,000,000 to aid the colored people to leave the South." A committee was appointed to wait upon the president and lay the resolution before him.

#### Teachers' Association.

Following is the programme of the Van Buren County Teachers' association, to be held at South Haven on Saturday, Sept. 28th, 1889:  
1. Scripture reading and prayer, Rev. W. S. Bugbee.  
2. Music—"The Song that Reached My Heart," Julian Jordan; by Miss Donna Hill.  
3. Paper—Music in the Public School; Miss Minnie Sherburn.  
4. Paper—Verbs and Verbsals; Mr. W. C. Dean.  
5. Music—Violin Solo; Miss Lillian Dean.  
6. Paper—Value of Experience; Mr. J. A. O'Leary.  
7. Talk on "Grading Country Schools;" A. D. DeWitt.  
8. Instrumental Duet; Ralph Histed and Donna Hill.  
9. Select Reading—"My Little Pupil;" Mrs. A. D. DeWitt.  
10. Exercise in Reading; Rev. E. M. Stephenson.  
11. Music—Miss Cora Monroe.  
12. Paper—"Manners and Morals of Pupils;" Mr. DeForest Rose.  
13. Paper—"School Organization;" Miss Angie Kingston.  
Discussions will follow the papers.

#### A Card.

For all the manifold favors from many friends during the illness and death of their beloved Kate, the sincerest thanks are hereby returned by her GRATEFUL RELATIVES.

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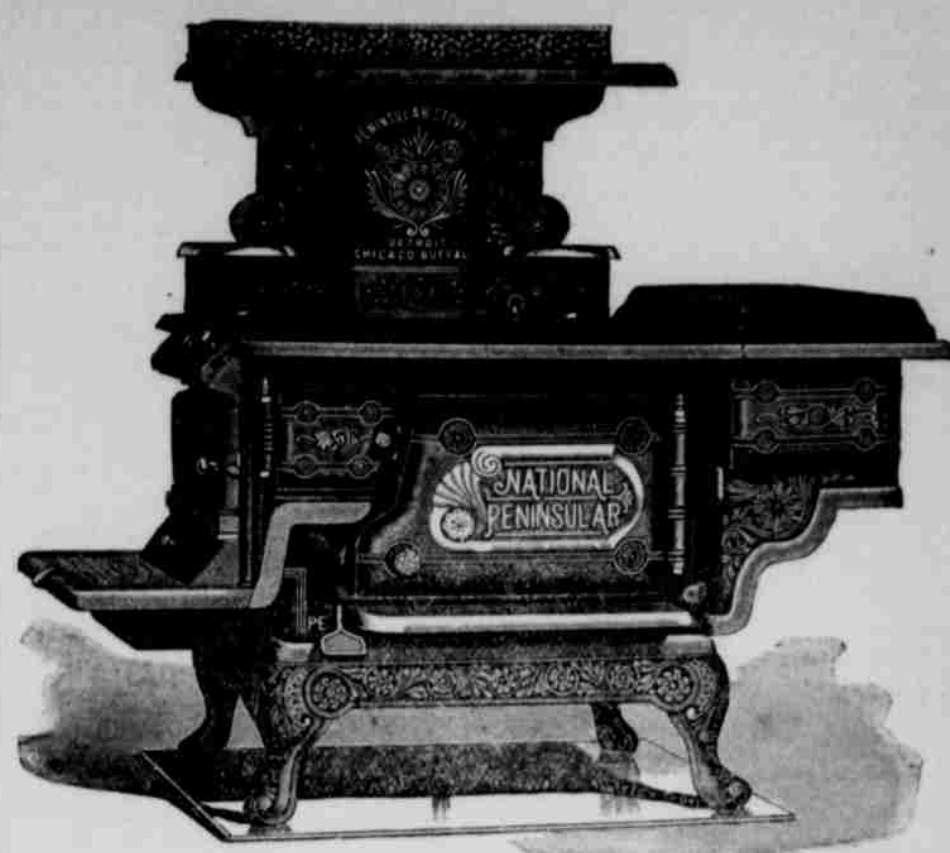
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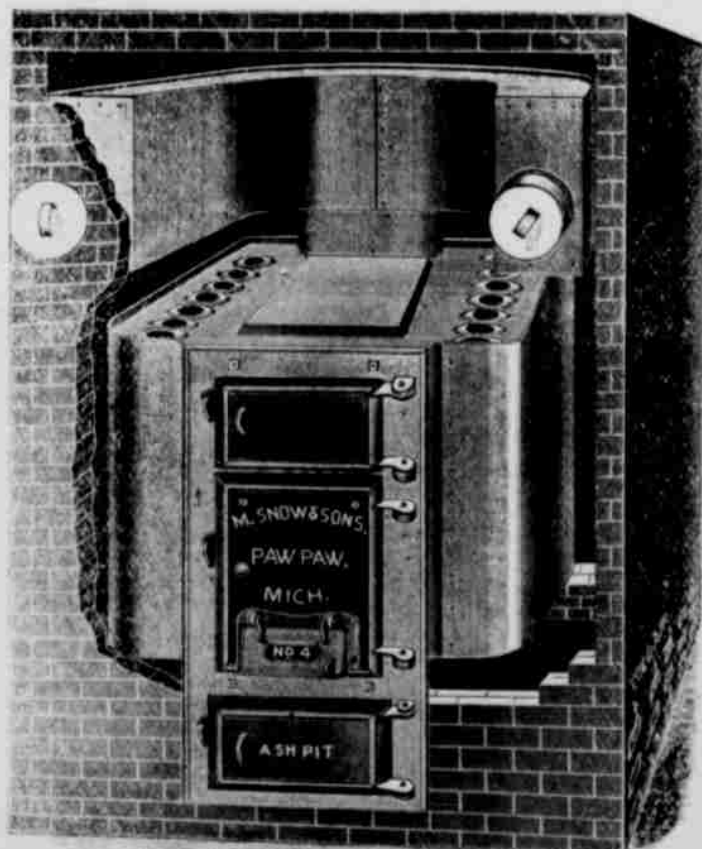
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